



NEWS OF OUR BOYS

It was announced in the news recently that P.O. A. D. Glasgow of Irma had won the D.F.C. in service overseas.
Congratulations, Albert.

Delbert Coffin was honorably discharged from the Army on Jan 4th.

Again we have to report that one of our boys, Merlyn Pendleton, husband of the former Helen Knudson has been killed in action in Italy after being twice wounded.

It has also been reported that Roy Pavely well known in the Albert district, has been killed in action.

Petty officer A.C. Mancor spent Christmas and New Year's with his wife and daughter at Irma.

L.A.C. W. Dunbar and Mrs. Dunbar were home for a part of the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sonoff were fortunate in having all three of their boys home for Christmas, Albert and James of the R.C.A.F. from southern Alberta and Manitoba and Tony from Vernon B.C. After the holidays Tony went East for further training.

L.A.C. Charlie Milne was home from the west coast for Christmas with his wife and daughter.

L.A.C. R.H.L. Smith spent Christmas with his wife at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pyre Jones.

L.A.C. Albert Jones visited his parents of the Albert district at Christmas time.

We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of a son to Lt. Lt. Don Savard and Mrs. Savard at an Edmonton hospital on Christmas eve. Don visited his parents at Irma at Christmas.

Roland Bick of Jarow, a former student at the Irma High School has now been reported a prisoner of war in Germany.

Frank Witthall of the Veterans Guard was home at New Year's, visiting his wife.

L.A.C. Melvin Knudson was home from Manitoba on New Year's leave.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MINBURN No. 453

Public notice is hereby given that there has been introduced in the Council of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 the following by-law:

BY-LAW NO. 104, 1944

A BY-LAW PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE DOMESTIC ANIMALS ACT

(Municipalities)

A by-law of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 for the governing the running at large of domestic animals within the Municipality.

Under the authority, and subject to the provisions of the Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) the Council of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 enacts as follows:

That all domestic animals are prohibited from running at large within the Municipal District of Minburn at all times.

All existing Stock By-Laws of the former Municipal Districts of Buffalo Coulee No. 453 Lakeview No. 454, Melberta No. 483, and Birch Lake No. 484 are hereby repealed.

And that a copy of the same may be seen in each of the following places:

Lezview Hall
Miroslawna Hall
Hillcock Hall
Beatty School
Badger School
Moorerville School
Redino School
Elmington School
Prairie O'Benachie School
Hughes School
Ottawa School
Heatherbell School
Windermere School
Tankerton School
Albert School
Orbindale School

And further, that unless within thirty days from the publication of this notice at least 15 per cent of the proprietary electors of the Municipal District petition the Council to submit such by-law to the vote of the proprietary electors of the Municipal District the Council will proceed to pass the same.

Secretary Treasurer
R.T. Dorward

PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION SURVEY

At a special meeting of the Wainwright Board of Trade held in the council chambers on Monday, Jan. 8th a regional committee to take charge of the organization of the Wainwright region for the purpose of the post-war reconstruction survey which will commence on Mon. Jan. 15th, was set up. Mr. C. Wilbraham acted as Chairman and Mr. P.M. Armishaw as secretary. Sub-committees were chosen as follows: Farm survey, Mr. D. Sutherland; Household survey, (War Services Committee to select); Business survey Mr. C. Stafford. It was decided to set up a sub-committee in Hardisty and contact was made by telephone. A farm survey will be conducted in Irma, Jarow, Phillips, Heath, and Butte. Full particulars will be given in every weekly newspaper in the province and an intensive publicity campaign will be conducted over the air. Every citizen who can possibly do so is requested to co-operate in these surveys which are being conducted by the Provincial Reconstruction Committee with the Federal Dept. of Agriculture, Economics Branch co-operating. Mr. Action of the Federal Dept. attended the meeting as did Mr. James Jackson of Irma to help in explaining the working of this survey.

The thousands of questionnaires to be distributed to Albertans next week are designed to accurately determine the direct and indirect job-making potentialities of farmers, householders and business men in the immediate post-war years.

Distribution of the questionnaires will start Monday and Reg. Rose survey-manager of the task set out by the Alberta Post-war Reconstruction Committee, has stated that each questionnaire form will be followed up by a personal interview. The distribution of questionnaires and interviews will be done by the hundreds of volunteer workers all members of public-spirited organizations lending their complete support to the survey plan.

All answers given on the questionnaire forms should be given in strict confidence and will only be used in bulk with answers given by the other hundreds of farmers, householders and business men. Each name is protected by a code number known only to committee members and workers. Not every Alberta citizen or farmer will be canvassed in the survey. But the committee has stressed the importance of every citizen knowing before hand some of the details of the questions that will be asked in case he is one of the thousands approached in the survey. Knowing generally what will be asked of him, the farmer householder or businessman can prepare his answers that much more accurately.

Householders will be asked to list their planned post-war expenditures on such things as home building, clothing and other details. They also will be asked for information on how they plan or hope to finance the purchase of these items either through savings, current income, installment credit or borrowing.

It also asks householders information on servicemen members of the family and what occupation they hoped to carry on after the war.

Farmers will be asked to give their post-war plans for their farm expansion and for a listing of the post-war plans of other members of the family. They will be requested for detailed facts on present farm equipment and on that they hope to obtain in the immediate post-war years. Their planned financing of this also will be asked.

Alberta business men, both large and small, will be asked for the most detailed questions. The survey seeks to learn salary schedules paid, number of employees, number of servicemen employees returning, what type of employment can be offered disabled veterans and the number of additional skilled workers required to operate the business at full capacity.

Other questions to the business men will seek out their planned business expansions after the war and if it involves new buildings or extensions to other plants. Other general questions deal with pla-

Memorial Service

Memorial service was held for Pte. Merlyn Pendleton was held in Sharon Lutheran Church on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 31. Rev. Stolee, assisted by Rev. Longmire conducted the service. The flag-draped pulpit and memorial wreaths were a fitting tribute to the memory of one who has paid the supreme sacrifice.

Pte. M.W. Pendleton son of Mr. H.F. and the late Mrs. Pendleton of Lougheed, was born at Ponoka, Alta. June 5, 1913, and was killed in action in Italy Dec. 1944.

On Oct. 15th, 1938 he married Helen Knudson daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knudson of Irma. Merlyn enlisted with the Edmonton Fusiliers Oct. 17, 1940, and went overseas in Mar. 1943 with the Calgary Highlanders, later being transferred to the Loyal Edmonton Reg. which is attached to the British 8th Army.

Besides his loving wife Helen, he leaves to mourn his loss two sons Lloyd and Wayne, his father, H.F. Pendleton, one sister, Leola, and one brother, LaVerne.

Floral tributes were as follows: Helen and Wayne; Dad, Myrtal and LaVerne; Father, Mother, Merle and Melvin; Murray and Minnie; Sharon Ladies Aid.

Gifts given in memory were: Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Reitan; Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollingreen; Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. B. Gulbraa; Mr. and Mrs. S. Nelson; Joe, Tina and Carl Gulbraa; E.R. Erickson and family; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pedel; Mr. and Mrs. O. Likness; Mr. D. Likness; Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fuder; Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Carter; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McFarland; Mrs. Anna Larson and family; M. Roggensack; G. Roggensack; Mr. and Mrs. L. Satre and family; J.B. Stolee; Mr. and Mrs. O. Steffensen and girls.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to all those who helped in anyway in our time of sorrow.
Helen Pendleton and Wayne.

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Each set of questions on each questionnaire is a cross-check on answers given to other questions. For instance: The committee can judge fairly accurately whether or not a farmer's equipment purchasing plans will work out by comparing his plans with his present financial standing and what he has tucked away in Victory Bonds and other savings.

In this way the survey management hopes to gain a mass of information not only useful for post-war plans but also information that will be thoroughly correct. If it is accurate, then the committee can accurately assess Alberta's post-war future by compiling details of the survey.

Detailed instructions have been given to each volunteer canvasser in the province. He knows what is wanted in the survey and his questions shall be answered with complete co-operation.

Each member of the committee and each volunteer worker is doing his part to assuring the province's post-war future and the committee in turn is asking each Albertan to do his share.

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IRMA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE SECRETARY'S 1944 REPORT

President, Mrs. E. Sanders.
1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. B. Long.
2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. F. Thurston.
Treasurer Mrs. R. Larson.
Secretary Mrs. R. Ott.
Directors—Mrs. McLean, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Arnold.
Sick Committee—Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. McLean.
Program Committee—Mrs. Enger, Mrs. E. Rae.
Sewing Committee—Mrs. Stokton, Mrs. Hlynka, Mrs. Stewart.
Eleven meetings were held, the July meeting being "rained out." There are 24 paid up members. Average attendance being 13 members and four visitors. No new members were added to the roll two names were taken off, these members moving away. At Christmas time 1943, 9 shut-ins were remembered with boxes of fruit and candy. All ex-members were sent Christmas cards.

In February the members were divided into groups of four each, each group making a quilt for the Merchant Navy. \$5.00 was to F. W. I. birthday gift fund.

In March a study course was ordered and at this meeting the District Convener paid her annual visit. In April seeds were sent to England to be used for the next season's gardens; 5.00 was sent to the "Prisoner of War Parcels Fund."

A Clean Up day at the cemetery was held in May.

The Conference was held in June at Bruce, Mrs. J. Rae was the delegate and Mrs. E. Rae took charge of our exhibit.

July is when the Grandmothers' Day is usually held but owing to severe rains no meeting was held.

In August 10.00 was sent to the Salvation Army. Eight pounds of donated leather was sent to the Navy League; a parcel of clothing was sent to an eight year old Greek refugee girl. Lunch was served two Saturday nights.

In September 5.00 was sent to the "Flood Victims Fund." Lunch was served at an auction sale.

In October 34.65 plus a 5.00 donation was sent to the "Jam Fund." Eight dirty bags were packed by the local, 18 being sent altogether.

In November the annual bazaar and tea was held.

Each month a 4.00 war savings certificate was purchased. Each departing member was remembered with a gift. Flowers and fruit were sent to ill members. Cards of sympathy sent to bereaved members.

The knitting done for the exhibit was sent to sailors in ditty bags.

—Vera L. Ott, Secretary.

At the Churches

UNITED CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, January 7th

Irma:
Sunday school 11 A. M.
Public worship 7.30 P. M.
A hearty invitation to all.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma Tabernacle:
Sunday school 2.15 P. M.
Gospel Service 3.30 P. M.
Hardisty, Oddfellows' Hall:
Gospel Service 8 P. M.
A hearty welcome to all.
"Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me, and ye will not come to Me that ye might have life."—John 5:39-40.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR IRMA W. M. S. FOR 1944

Officers for the year were:
President, Mrs. I. S. Reeds,
1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. W. Carter,
2nd Vice-President, Miss Winnie Reeves.
Secretary, Mrs. Alma Enger.
Treas., Mrs. M. Arnold.

There were nine regular meetings held during the year with an average attendance of 8.88 and 3.66 visitors. We have 16 paid-up members, nine of which are active.

There were three special meetings held during the year. The first was a supper meeting held in well attended. A grand challenge the church in March. This was given at this meeting "To go forward and launch out into the deep."

The second special meeting took the form of an Easter pageant, "The Unshadowed Cross." The choir, C.G.L.T. and Mission Band assisted at this meeting.

The third special meeting was a joint meeting with the Anglican W. A. when the Rev. W. H. spoke on "Missions in Japan and Out Responsibilities Towards the Nation in Post War Years." This was held in November.

A Tea was held at the Manse on May 26th. It was a success and added to our "Special Funds." The May and June meetings took the form of quilting bees and when our quilts for allocation were done. We carried on our regular meeting around the quilt.

The book "A Shepherd Remembered" by Leslie Weatherhead was studied during the year. This was a study of the 23rd Psalm.

The book "West of the Date Line" is the book being studied at present.

We undertook a course of Missionary Education to be given in the Sunday schools.

One meeting was devoted to Temperance Study.

A round robin letter was sent to interested members who have moved away.

During the year we lost one member due to removal.

Sixty-two Christmas cards were sent to our local boys and girls in the forces.—Alma G. Enger, Secretary of W. M. S.

APPLES IN LAKE

Kelowna, B.C. Two hundred tons of apples from the Kelowna crop this year are in storage in Okanagan Lake. The Canadian National Railway's granted permission to use its pier at Okanagan Lake for the experiment in an effort to save apples which otherwise would rapidly deteriorate due to shortage of storage space.

Herring net, 600 feet of it, is attached to pier piles and weighed with lead. The net lies at a depth of ten feet and covers the area around the pier.

Culls, or low grade apples, being used and if they are saved by water storage, they will be used for dehydration and other by-products and if the experiment is unsuccessful the loss will be negligible. Revolving belts will go down in to the water corral, pick up apples and bring them into receptacles on the pier when required.

If you use apple covers, be sure to turn them inside out and brush them thoroughly once a month. Moth compounds applied to furniture covers are of value only if the covers are thoroughly saturated.



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M. D. of Wainwright No. 392

On behalf of the whole Council

we wish to extend
to all our Ratepayers

HEARTY WISHES FOR

A Happy and
Prosperous
New Year

The Municipal Council and Staff

Dave Sutherland, Reeve

A DUTCH TANKER

Had An Interesting Experience With Japanese Raiders

A Dutch tanker that was "sunk" by the Japanese several years ago was the first to enter the liberated port of Antwerp.

In November, 1942, a 6,000-ton Dutch tanker, the "Ondina", was steaming through the Indian Ocean, accompanied by a British minesweeper, when the ships were attacked by two well-armed Japanese raiders. Although provided with only one gun, the "Ondina" sailed right into the enemy ships, which carried two planes and were armed with torpedoes as well as several five-inch guns.

One Japanese ship was hit and sunk. But the other placed a direct hit on the "Ondina". The tanker was set afire and the crew was forced to abandon the ship. After amusing themselves for some time machine-gunning the lifeboats, the Japanese steamed away. Immediately the crew returned to the "Ondina", succeeded in putting out the fire and brought her safely into the nearest Allied port.

On December 12, when the port of Antwerp was opened for Allied shipping, the "Ondina" had the honor of being the first tanker to bring in a cargo of much needed gasoline for the Allied troops near Aachen. Netherlands News Service.

Interesting Facts

Some Things About Britain People May Not Know

That approximately four-fifths of all Allied guns blasting the Germans out of Italy are British. According to information recently released there are 28 United Kingdom artillery regiments in Italy, two United States artillery battalions, five Canadian regiments and one Newfoundland regiment.

That the self-heating soup container invented by United Kingdom scientists and manufactured in Britain is now supplied in millions to both British and United States forces. It has already saved countless Allied lives on the land fronts and at sea.

That the United Steel Corporation, Sheffield, England, has launched a scheme to train 1,000 men returning from the services for key jobs after the war. The men will be selected by a special committee purely on aptitude and irrespective of what they were doing before their call-up. They will then be sent to a so-called "industrial officers' training corps" for a year's special training for administrative and executive posts.

Powerful Microscope

Is Capable Of Magnification Up To 45,000 Times

An electron microscope, capable of magnification up to 45,000 times, will arrive from the United States soon, and will be set up in the physics building at McGill University, it was announced at the university.

The only instrument of this type in Canada at present, is at the University of Toronto, where it was built several years ago under the direction of Prof. E. P. Burton, head of the physics department at the University of Toronto.

Study of finely-divided particles, such as disease bacteria and viruses, will be made possible by the new instrument.

Settled For Winter

Germans Are Very Cozy And Comfortable Inside Dunkerque Fortress

Doc Campbell, Reuter war correspondent, says Dunkerque has settled in for the winter. It may not be as cozy now until the end of the war.

Nothing decisive is happening at the moment in this bleak, desolate, almost-forgotten corner of France. Inside the port the Germans are cozy. Outside, British troops are drawing lots for "blighty" leave.

It is more than two months since I saw a procession of people with their sheep and cows quit this coastal fortress.

It might have been another Calais but Capt. Scheider, naval commander of the 15,000-strong German garrison is made of tougher stuff.

The besieging forces have been firing shells into Dunkerque for weeks. An occasional prisoner is taken and odd deserters, but nothing extensive is being done to wipe out the memory of 1940, when the British expeditionary force withdrew by sea after being bottled up at Dunkerque by the Germans.

The Germans are in the town's best billets, with food, wireless sets and reading matter.

It is a crazy fantastic deadened sort of war here. The Germans cannot use the port, and a major offensive to capture it would afford little strategic advantage. But a force must be maintained there to contain the Germans, who are in no hurry to do anything.

Mining In North

Rapid Development Is Expected Through Air Transport

Mining men working in the far north of Canada are optimistic about the rapid post-war development of this area through the medium of air transport.

Already in active operation as an air route from the United States and Canada to the Soviet Union by way of Alaska is a chain of new air-dromes north and west from Edmonton to Whitehorse in the Yukon and then to Fairbanks and Nome in Alaska.

Through traffic on this route at present is entirely military and diplomatic, but the Alaska Highway follows the air route and the two methods of transportation, ground and air, are expected to be of primary importance in the development of both the Canadian Yukon and Alaska.

Robot Bombing

Deadly Missiles Will Prove A Menace In The Future

Within 10 or 20 years, robot bombing is "almost certain" to befall the United States and all other countries unless an efficient peace organization is established, State Secretary Stettinius said.

Writing in the Kiwanis magazine, Mr. Stettinius said the Dumbarton Oaks proposals are important because they point the alternative "to unspeakable disaster."

"Let no one forget that the robot bomb and the rocket are still in their infancy, at a stage comparable to the stage of development which aviation reached at Kitty Hawk in 1903... these deadly missiles can be perfected to the point where they can travel thousands of miles at incredible speed."

British Nurses Get Autograph



Leaving a British military hospital on the western front after chatting with the patients, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander, cheerfully gives his autograph to a group of British nurses.

The Real Objective

Good, Understanding Among The Nations Is Necessary

There will never be perfect world-wide harmony in every detail of international policy. It is too much to hope for, even too much to wish for. Americans, British, Russians, French, Chinese—we shall all try each other's patience in years to come. We shall never speak a wholly common language. Civilization will be the richer because we do not.

All that a good understanding now among the United Nations can do and all that a world organization can do is to prevent the inevitable frictions from being destructive. And this is sufficient. We are not fighting to outlaw economic competition. We are not fighting to impose identical social systems on all nations. We are fighting to put an end to aggressive warfare, which means all warfare.

But there is and can be no disagreement among the United Nations as to the absolute necessity of decisive victory in this war and the absolute necessity of sufficient mutual tolerance and a sufficiently strong world organization to make another war impossible.—New York Times.

Millions Every Year

Lost By Department Stores In United States Through Shoplifters

Shoplifters, 85 per cent. of whom are women, make away with \$80,000,000 worth of goods a year in the United States, a professional department store detective said in a magazine article.

The "spotter" said many of the petty thieves were war workers building a nest egg for postwar plans, others were thrill seekers, and others were socially prominent women covering up bridge debts. Only three per cent. of the shoplifters were said to be kleptomaniacs.

According to the article, an average sized store in a large city loses between \$75,000 and \$80,000 annually, and since the war, the shortage of trained help has made the shoplifting easier.

The Elephant's Memory

Shows Gratitude For Favors Shown Many Years Before

An authority on elephants has announced that there is no foundation for the popular belief that an elephant has a long memory. How, then, are we to explain the occurrence at the Cheltenham Circus, when the elephant paused in a ring, stayed at a retired colonel of the Indian Army, and then lifted the impoverished soldier with his trunk clean out of the sixpennies into the three-and-four-pennies?

Come, come. Was this coincidence? No. It was, gratitude for a favor shown many years before at a party given by a Maharajah.—London Express.

QUESTION FOR DAD

"Dad, how can guns kick when they have no legs?" asked Bertie.

"Don't ask absurd questions," said his father.

"Guns haven't any legs, have they, dad?"

"Certainly not!"

"Well, then, what's the use of their having breeches?"

More than 300 wells are operating on a recently discovered oilfield in Britain.

Might Get Action

Little Evacuee From London Possibly Helped Out British Lord

"During the evacuation of children from London, all types of children were hustled out of the big city," Dr. George Buchanan, Medical Health Officer for Willesden, London, England, relates. Some went to cottages and some to castles, regardless of whether the kiddies came from London's east or west end. One of these homeless children was sent to a castle. He was put to bed by a valet, after having been washed, and the same procedure of washing went on the next morning. Finally he was taken down to the long breakfast table. At one end sat his lordship immersed in his newspaper, at the other end of the long table her ladyship presided. After waiting while the butter put down a fork, then a spoon, then a knife, napkin, the east end kiddie became annoyed. "When do I get my breakfast?" he demanded banging his small fist on the polished oak table. His lordship looked up from his paper, slowly rose and came around to the now frightened youngster. Leaning over him, patting his back in encouragement, he said: "Congratulations, son, I've been trying to get up nerve to ask that for the past 30 years!"—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Not Very Helpful

Soldiers In Foreign Lands Find Conversational Aids Quite Inadequate

A young British subaltern who has been serving with the British forces on various battlefronts, explains how, whenever moved to a new country, he carefully purchases an up-to-date conversational guide book in order to "swat" up a few useful sentences in the lingo and so enable himself to rub along successfully with the natives. But he has a poor opinion of most of those frightened youngsters, modern troops campaigning in foreign lands. When he went with the Eighth Army to Italy, he promptly searched around for a phrase-book, and bought one at the shopman's recommendation that it was a most valuable publication. The first sentence given in this Italian-English "vademecum" was "Hi! The postillon has been struck by lightning!"

BETTER THAN AIR

Farm tractor tires are more efficient, when inflated with a liquid rather than air, according to Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. officials. The non-freeze liquid used does not seep out of the tire and constant proper inflation is the result. Statistics recently compiled by Goodyear show the use of liquid for farm tires is increasing rapidly.

TOLD IN VERSE

The report that Goering is now wearing a toga has led many papers to say that he is crazy. We think that the explanation may be found in the old rhyme:

A Man down in the Amazon
Put nighties of his gramma's on;
The fact was that
He was too fat
To get his own pyjamas on.

ARE EATING MORE

The Family Herald and Weekly Star says Canadians have been eating more during the war years. Last year the average food consumption per person was 43.6 lbs., compared with 41.2 in the 1935-40 period—and this in spite of a drop of almost 18 lbs. in sugar consumption.

Best In The World

Priest In North Has High Opinion Of Eskimo Morals

After nearly three years amongst the Eskimos in Canada's Northwest Territories, Rev. Robert J. Biasioli, 30-year-old Roman Catholic priest, is convinced that "morally, the Eskimo is the best in the world."

The tall priest, member of the Oblate Order, believes that the full-blooded Eskimo fundamentally is honest, truthful and law-abiding and, when converted, practises his religion faithfully. He is degraded to a great extent, however, by association with the white man outside.

"The Eskimo doesn't know what a lie is," Father Biasioli says. "He would never take anything that didn't belong to him. He is obedient and respects the orders of the tribe leader, the eldest person, to the last letter."

Native of San Antonio, Texas, Father Biasioli was ordained in 1938 and given a choice of going to the Philippines or the Northwest Territories, chose to live among the Eskimos. He now is a chaplain, with the rank of captain, serving out-of-the-way bases of the Alaskan division, United States army air forces.

One characteristic the young priest counts as the Eskimo's is the Eskimo's sense of humor. "They are always laughing and they think it's a huge joke when a fellow Eskimo falls on his head or loses his trap lines. A misfortune to them is funny."

Made Of Paper

Used For Construction Of Barrels For Rocket Guns

The Canadian boys who used to fashion paper wads for their sling shots, if teacher didn't catch them, are fighting men now, but they still want paper. But now they don't want it as ammunition but as guns. Incredible as it may seem, paper is used in the construction of barrels for rocket guns and fighter planes. It is treated with heat-resistant plastic and thousands of these weapons have been turned out by plants south of the border. These resin-impregnated tubes are hardened in ovens, painted and assembled in clusters of three for mounting under plane wings.

The "Flying Bazookas," as they are known, have already caused havoc in enemy installations. They are fired with a trigger set in the fighter's control stick and can be fired in salvos or one at a time.

"Canadian wastepaper may not be used for 'Flying Bazookas' as yet, but its uses are just as vital," reports the National Salvage Division.

A Modern Disease

Everything Artificial Is Taking Place Of Human Values

Urbanitis is a dimly recognized disease, which appears to be throttling the world little by little by the metamorphosis of natural human values into mechanical and artificial ones. Thus, jazz becomes music, blurs become art, boah becomes poetry and walking two blocks is called exercise. In some lands the disease has spread far. Night has become day, noise has replaced silence and billboards exhort humanity to do everything under the sun except think. Yet, only by thinking and reflection can the human animal ever raise himself one further degree above the brutish beast; one degree, that is, above self-destruction.—Victoria Colonist.

NORTHERN ALBERTA

Want Experimental Station To Investigate Farming Possibilities

At its recent convention here, the Alberta Federation of Agriculture passed a recommendation that the Dominion Government establish an experimental station to investigate the "grey soil" belt of northern Alberta.

This suggestion seems a sound one. The "grey wooded" soil covers some thirteen million acres, and includes one-third of the unoccupied land of the province. It had always been considered poor farming soil, and experience has shown that grain cannot be successfully grown on it. It has, however, produced some excellent seed crops. A thorough investigation might reveal unexpected uses to which it could be put.

With most of the first-class farming lands now under occupation, it is evident that any future expansion of agriculture and settlement must largely depend on the development of the grey soil belt. A comprehensive program of research into the possibilities of this area would be money well spent.—Calgary Albertan.

Canadian Nickel

Goes Into Tanks, Planes And Guns In Russia

According to one well-known Canadian journalist, one of the best ambassadors Canada has in Russia, is nickel.

Canadian nickel goes into Russian tanks, planes and guns in the form of stainless steel alloys and nickel chrome steel. A director of a large war plant receiving Canadian nickel told this journalist when he visited the plant that the metal is clean, has a small percentage of impurities and is packed so well that it is used as an example to all Russian industry.

Flour, too, is a diplomat. In the Moscow Military Hospital, wounded servicemen are fed food products made from Canadian flour. The commanding officer of the hospital told the journalist that "Canadian flour is doing good work for us. We use it to return our men to health. It bakes well. It looks good."

Stories Are True

About Lads Italian Peasant Women Carry On Their Heads

Major Bert S. Wemp, the Toronto Telegram's correspondent in Italy, writes:

When the Canadians return from Italy and the Mediterranean, they'll have a thousand and one stories to tell. One will be the biggest lead ever seen on an Italian peasant woman's head, which may explain the picture of Atlas with the world balanced on his.

I have seen them carry huge copper water containers, clothes baskets full of grapes, tables loaded with furniture, and what not, but Gunner L. Stanhope, of Lindsay, whose parents reside in Toronto, goes one better. He witnessed an Italian family moving from their house. The two men placed a sewing machine on top of the woman's head, then loaded in a large bag of grain, plus other household effects. All three walked away, the men carrying an umbrella. And the strange thing about these stories—they are true.

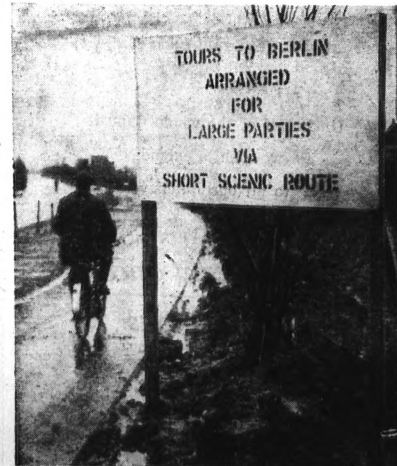
Fish is a leading source of iodine among natural foods.

Street Scene In Saarlautern



An LVT (landing vehicle, tank) moves down a street in otherwise peaceful Saarlautern shortly after the Saar river city was taken by the Allies. The LVT's, used with success in the Pacific operations, are now in the European theatre.

Touch Of Humor—Front Line

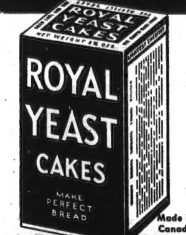


Here is one of the humorous road signs that were erected near the fighting front in Holland, giving many an Allied soldier a laugh as they passed along on their way into action. This sign is near the sector recently captured by Canadian forces.



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Where Credit Is Due

Los Angeles Man Pays Tribute To British Bulldog Courage

Wesley Ruggles, back from nine months in England, is less impressed by what the British owe to us than what we owe to them. He is convinced that if it hadn't been for their grim, bulldog courage we, instead of them, now might be suffering from robot bombs.

"Rome was spared and Paris was spared," he says, "but there has been no sparing of London. Its ordeal began in 1940, when England was losing the war, and it took a brave people to stand up under it. When we began winning the war the people rejoiced and thought it was all over. Then the robots began. Air raids had lasted a few minutes to a few hours, but the robots kept coming day and night, killing more persons than were killed in the invasion of Normandy. They could sleep or rest between air raids but the robots would come all night and they would gainfully go to their jobs and carry on all day. The blasts were so terrific that often they did damage a quarter-mile away. I saw a motorbus which had been blown into the second story of a building by one."

"When I left London 1,000,000 buildings had been damaged by them, and many thousands completely destroyed. When I saw the devastation I couldn't help thinking that if England hadn't stood staunch when all the rest of Europe gave up we might have had attacks on our own shores."—Los Angeles Times.

HAS LARGE COLLECTION

Mildred Huffman, of Muncie, Ind., owns more than 1,000 dogs, but doesn't worry about feeding them, for they are all potter, teakwood, jade or china. She believes that her collection is one of the largest of its kind in the country. Included is one of the six pair of Staffordshire china dogs formerly in the royal palace of George IV of England.

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

The Siamese Rickshaw

By GEORGE CHERNISH

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

I pushed open the door marked "War Department" and found Jim Saylor, my chief, staring moodily out a window. He swung around when I entered. "I've a little job for you," he said. "It's unusual, but I think it's worth a try. Remember that Chinese crank who used to pester us?"

I nodded. The chief was referring to an old Chinaman named Tai-Lin, who had besieged Washington officials for years with scatterbrain inventions.

"He went mad the other day," Saylor continued. "They put him in an asylum, but he's still frothing about a secret explosive. Claims he's discovered a powder ten times more potent than the best in existence."

"I laughed. 'No wonder they locked him up.' Saylor frowned. 'He's really off his head, but I'm inclined to nibble at that explosive yarn. I know it sounds foolish, Jordan, but in these times of stress we can't take any chances. Suppose there is such a formula? And suppose an enemy agent got wind of it?'"

"I agree with you there, chief," I said. "Unlike most of his race," Saylor went on, "Tai-Lin lived alone. In an old stone house in Shepherd's Marsh." He paused for a moment, his gray eyes regarding me keenly. "I want you to take Pickering and search that house from top to bottom. Keep your eye out for old papers, or a blueprint."

"O.K.," I said shortly. "We'll leave at once." Pickering was more enthusiastic about the assignment than I was. But he was still a little green, and didn't know cranks as a veteran does.

It took us three hours to drive out to the old Chinaman's dwelling. Made entirely of stone, it lay at the edge of a huge half-frozen marsh. There was no bush nor brush of any kind, for miles around. We went in, and found a kind of a blaze in the old fireplace, for it was cold out here at this time of year.

All that afternoon we searched, but there were very few possible hiding places for a blueprint. Gradually I grew disgusted with the job. And then I came across the rickshaw—an ancient, wobbly affair, it stood in one corner of the attic, covered with cobwebs. Vaguely I recalled something about Tai-Lin's importing it from Siam, where his grandfather had hauled it through the streets of Bangkok for his daily bread.

As I stooped over to examine it, Pickering's voice belled from below: "Hey, Tom! I've found it! The blueprint!"

I tore out of that attic like a typhoon. Pickering was standing in front of the fireplace, his lips moving silently as he peered at rows of Chinese brush figures. "It was stuck in a crack," he told me breathlessly, "below one of the window sills. We'll need a translator to decipher it."

I nodded and said, "We're not sure this is it, though. You'd better stay here and keep on searching while I take it into town."

He scowled a little. "Step on it, then. We're almost out of wood, and it's getting colder every minute..." The big clock atop the city hall was striking ten in the evening as I pulled to a stop before my chief's residence. He was more enthusiastic than I when I showed him the blueprint. "Come on!" he cried, grabbing his hat and coat. "We'll get Yan-Po out of bed!"

It wasn't necessary, however, to get Yan-Po out of bed. The young Chinaman was seated in his hotel room, poring over a map of the Philippines. "He was one of the many translators in the employ of Uncle Sam."

I stiffened as Yan-Po said: "From my knowledge of explosives, I would say that this is a most powerful formula, indeed. It mentions here a duplicate of this print contained in the shaft of a rickshaw."

"It's in the attic of the old house," I told them. "I was looking it over when Pickering found this."

Then things really started. The door swung open and three men hurried themselves upon us. Simultaneously, four more came leaping through the windows. I had the presence of mind to grab the print and rip it to bits. I flung the pieces out a window before they finally overpowered me.

Their leader, a tall fellow with a foreign accent, ordered us bound and

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gagged. "Very careless of you," he told me. "First, you allow yourself to be followed, and now you destroy a formula whose duplicate we can easily reach. To the rickshawmen!" he barked. In a moment they were gone.

Shortly after dawn, a bellhop came in to investigate the unanswered ringing of our telephone. Within ten minutes we had a dragnet under way, but all of us viewed the situation as hopeless. It required only three hours to reach Tai-Lin's country home, and five had elapsed since the foreign agents had left. I shuddered as I remembered Pickering. One against seven...

Yan-Po was sorrowful. I can remember the formula," he told us, "but how much better it would have been to keep it to ourselves!"

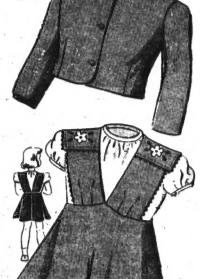
"Yes," our chief said. "I guess we can all kiss our jobs good-bye."

Later, when we arrived at the old stone house we learned from the cop in charge that Pickering had been bound and gagged. The chief and I dashed up to the attic. But the rickshaw was gone. Saylor's face felt "Took it with them," he grunted. I could only nod.

Although Pickering had been badly beaten, he managed to grin when he saw us. "You're a fine one," he snapped at me, "leaving me out here without a stick of wood. It got so cold I had to turn the old boy's rickshaw—or freeze to death!"

This Week's Pattern

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A BIRD'S APPETITE

"Eating like a bird" is a phrase often used to describe persons of delicate appetite, but, according to zoo keepers, birds eat more in proportion to their weight than any other of the zoo inhabitants.

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Western Artists

Saskatoon's Two-Piano Team Thrills Musical Audience In Toronto

(By Hector Charlesworth)

A two-piano team of the first rank, new to the local public, was heard at Eaton Auditorium recently, and roused the sincere enthusiasm of a very musical audience. Rumors have been reaching Eastern musical circles of the remarkable achievements of two natives of Saskatoon, Evelyn Eby and Reginald Bedford, whose concert had won favor in both the Canadian and American West, and had been lavishly praised in Chicago. They are pupils of a Mr. Gustin of Saskatoon, a veteran teacher who has done much for musical progress in Saskatchewan. They played together as children, and subsequently Miss Eby, studied with the great pianist, Josef Lhevinne, and Mr. Bedford with Percy Grainger.

Mr. Bedford was recently appointed principal of the Hamilton Conservatory of Music, and Miss Eby has joined its staff, in order that they might continue their concert work together. A number of Hamiltonians came for their Toronto debut.

Both artists possess large and beautiful tone, and are completely versed in the resources of finger technique. In addition, they are profoundly musical in their intuitions. Their coordination is perfect in spirit and finesse. With them the musical line is never broken for the infinitesimal part of a second, and their fervor and enthusiasm rouse delight.

Certain numbers on the program called for deep interpretive feeling and virtuosic accomplishment. One was Brahms' "Variations on a Hydn Theme," of which the composer made both an orchestral and two-piano version. The theme itself is one of the noblest conceivable, and on it Brahms made a set of eight superb and entrancing variations. Every nuance was beautifully and thoroughly presented, and there was orchestral grandeur in the enunciation of the theme. Rhythmic subtlety of a rare order and complete technical mastery marked two of Rachmanninoff's most difficult compositions: a Barcarole and a Valse. The most brilliant display of all was in Saint-Saens' Scherzo, immensely difficult, but, as they played it, thrilling in fire and radiance.

Among many shorter offerings was a unique novel, "C'est le Plain Air," by Germaine Taillefer, identified with the group of modern French composers known as "The Six," which also included Milhaud, Honegger and Poulenc. It describes two games, "Bressaire," and "C'est le Plain Air," and "C'est le Plain Air" (hide-and-seek). Modern French music figured largely on the program; one of the suite of three caprices in Debussy's little-known "En Blanc et Noir"; "The Top," by Jean Baptiste Ouervery, who composed several hundred light piano pieces, Milhaud's "Bressaire," and Ravel's "Miroirs" and "Pagodes." The light, sure, playful quality of these interpretations was fascinating. Another gem was Thibaud's arrangement of the lilting English folk song, "Sussex Milkmaids."

Two seasons ago Bartlett and Robinson introduced to Toronto an arrangement of the Scottish "Keele Row," by a gifted young Saskatoon composer, Thomas Austen. This brisk and infectious arrangement was originally composed for the first Chicago appearance of Eby and Bedford, and is dedicated to them. They rendered it with joyous abandon. In truth one could not imagine a more stimulating program.—Toronto Globe and Mail.

Rust Tests

Brandon Experimental Farm Shows Results Of Tests On Rust Resistant Oats

The results of rust resistant oats tests conducted at the Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon, Manitoba, failed to show any great difference in the yielding ability of the varieties Ajax, Eक्टर, and Vanguard. The average yields for the three years, 1942-44, were: Ajax, 127 bushels; Eक्टर, 125 bushels; and Vanguard, 121 bushels. For the same period, Banner averaged 110 bushels, and Gopher, 111 bushels per acre.

From the standpoint of maturity, Ajax was three days earlier than Vanguard and, six days earlier than Eक्टर. Both Ajax and Vanguard showed good strength of straw. Eक्टर was inclined to lodge, being similar in that respect to Banner. Eक्टर had a somewhat larger seed than Banner and Vanguard but no real difference existed in weight per bushel. Eक्टर had the highest percentage of hull and Vanguard the lowest.

Acron, a Greek physician, is reputed to have originated fumigation in 473 B.C. when he halted a plague in Athens by burning aromatics in great fires.



Inflation In Poland

Yard Of Cloth Worth About Two Thousand Dollars

For a yard of cloth in Poland today a farmer would have to give about 315,000 pounds of potatoes. If he had the money to pay in cash for the cloth, he would need two thousand one dollar bills. This is inflation.

But in many cases the farmer can't get the cloth at all because his potato crop has been requisitioned by the Nazis. Or the man in the city may not have any cloth to exchange because the Nazis have taken it away against the coming of winter. So the price of the neighbours' potatoes goes higher and the list of the hungry and cold lengthens as the war-inflamed inflation.

Before the war the cost of living in Poland was modest compared to many other European countries. After four years of German occupation the cost of merely existing has become more than many can afford. Now a fifth year has been added and the situation in most parts of the country is worse.

The system of rationing as set up by the Nazis is stringent and in some cases the portions of food allotted per week only exist on paper. So black markets spring up everywhere. German organized and fed. For Germany has the keenest appreciation of the striking power of inflation as a weapon of war and has overlooked no opportunity of directing it to her own infamous ends.

Makes A Difference

Right Color Will Give You An Appetite Say Experts

Maybe it isn't your stomach after all that is causing that loss of appetite. Maybe it's your eyes, or more specifically, the things you eyes see.

Color experts have found now that appetites may be diminished or utterly destroyed according to the apparent color of the food brought about by use of colored lighting effects and various color schemes on walls and ceilings.

Recognition of the fact has dictated scientific attention to the paint jobs of dining rooms by progressive restaurants and hotels. Sometimes, merely the use of a wrong color may mean the failure of a restaurant, while application of a different color could have led to a paying clientele. Individual color schemes are matters for the experts. In general, however, it has been found that people eat better in dining rooms painted in attractive warm shades, derivatives of yellow. Blue and greens tend to blunt the appetite.

RECIPES

ROLLED OATS PASTRY

1 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
OR 2 cups sifted pastry flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup cold water
Mix and sift flour and salt. Cut in the shortening, using two knives or a pastry blender, until mixture resembles fine crumbs. Add rolled oats and mix lightly together. Gradually add water until the dough clings together. Chill before rolling out. Makes one double crust, 9 inch pie and one 9 inch shell. Bake shells in a hot oven, 400 degrees F., until light brown, about 10 minutes.

CHEESEAPPLE PIE

Pie paste
6 medium-sized apples
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind
1 cup grated cheese
Line a 9-inch pie plate with plain or rolled oats pastry. Peel, core and slice apples thinly. Combine sugar, spice, salt and cornstarch and sift over the apples, stirring gently until they are well coated. Place apples in layers in the pie shell. Dot with butter and sprinkle with lemon juice and rind. Bake, without a crust in a hot oven, 425 degrees F., for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from oven, sprinkle cheese over pie and return to oven to melt the cheese. Serve hot or cold. Yield: One 9-inch pie.

By the middle of 1944, close to 650,000 units of military transport had been produced by the Canadian automotive industry.



The insecurity inherent in the geography and economy of Saskatchewan "makes it the more urgent to establish a system of socialized medical services on a provincial scale," it is stated in the report recently released by the government-appointed Saskatchewan Health Services Survey Commission. Thus any plan formulated for the future would have to give primary consideration to the development of rural medical services.

If recommendations contained in the report are adopted, it appears that the Saskatchewan government's pre-election promise "to set up a complete system of socialized health services with special emphasis on preventive medicine," will be headed towards fruition.

The commission was headed by Dr. Henry E. Sigerist, professor of history of medicine at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. Its report said the history of the last two decades revealed a marked trend towards the socialization of essential medical services. And, in a section dealing with rural health services, the report said the establishment of Saskatchewan's municipal doctor system 25 years ago had brought medical care to thousands of people who otherwise would not have had any medical attention. The system had stood the test of time and should be maintained and developed, but with certain defects—such as lack of uniformity—remedied.

However, the report added that most municipal doctors are underpaid and over-burdened with work. As a result they had to accumulate contracts and engage in private practice in order to make a decent living. There also was the temptation to practise surgery without being fully prepared for it.

Remedies suggested included the organization of Rural Health Units, served from Rural Health Centres, and a system of minimum salaries for municipal doctors, such salaries to be increased with years of service.

Under such a system the member of a farm family who became sick would seek advice at the Rural Health Centre where he would receive examination and treatment and would be hospitalized if necessary. Patients requiring major surgery or specialized treatment would be referred to the nearest District Hospital where treatment, not available at the centres, would be obtainable. Rare cases presenting difficulties in diagnosis or requiring neurosurgery, chest surgery or similar highly specialized treatments would be referred to larger centres in the bigger cities.

Commenting that District Hospitals should have full-time surgeons on their staffs, the report commented that it is a "waste" to have well-trained surgeons engaged in general practice.

TREES FOR PRAIRIES

Free distribution of deciduous trees grown at the Dominion Forestry Station at Indian Head and Sutherland are available to farmers in the Prairie Provinces only. These farmers may also purchase evergreen trees from the Forestry Station at a price of \$1.00 per 100 trees.

Speaking of antiques, a woman wouldn't pay 10 cents for a 10-year-old hat, but she would give \$200 for a 100-year-old bedspread.

Scholarship

Value \$150.00, and cash awards for original musical compositions. Closes on March 1, 1945, the closing date for entries. Junior Division open to competitors under 18 who do not qualify for senior prizes. For entry forms and full information apply CANADIAN PATENT OFFICE, RYAN BANK BUILDING, TORONTO.

Viking Items

On January 4th a carload of hogs will be shipped from Viking to a designated packing plant by the Dominion Livestock Branch. All the hogs will be slaughtered and graded, then representative grades will be taken out, boxed and shipped back to Viking.

These carcasses will show the original tattoo marks of each farmer. These carcasses will be hung on the rail in the Elks hall on January 17th where the reasons for giving will be explained by the Livestock field men.

There will be exhibits of pig breeders and self feeders for the visitors. A colored talkie film will be shown on production of bacon hogs. This was a popular demonstration at other centres in the province and it is hoped that it will be just as great a success here.

Farmers should attend this demonstration and receive any benefits that may occur.

Ac2 Mavnard Runyon was up from Dauphin Man. for the holidays.

Ac1 J.L. Kyle of Watson Lake spent the holidays with friends in town.

Pilot officer Doug Darrah is enjoying the holidays at home, also doing a spot of curling.

L.A.C. Jack Kelly was up from Brandon for turkey dinner and a holiday at home.

The Navy has been represented by Len Peterson who is on shore leave for a number of days.

Ptes Bill Ryan and Bob Thunell of Currie Barracks enjoyed New Years at home.

Carl Hafso was home from his duties in the air force for the New Year.

Flying officer Frank Finn was home for the Christmas festivities.

Pte Jack Lawes has returned to his duties in the Army after enjoying the holiday here.

Many other service men were in the district whose names we have been unable to record.

The New Year was given a real welcome here by hundreds who crowded the Elks hall on Monday evening. Prettily decorated with streamers and other holiday decorations the hall presented a most pleasing picture. The Viking Jeps and an old time orchestra kept the large crowd in a happy mood.

S.L. Mackey held the lucky ticket on the turkey. The winner of the ten dollar door prize is still being sought. The lucky number being 120. So if you hold ticket No. 120 you can still claim the door prize. The Ladies of St. Mary's hope some one has the lucky ticket.

When school reopened in the Fall difficulty was experienced in getting someone to put the school in order. Accordingly a number of residents of the district consisting of Mr. and Mrs. John Child, Mr. Bird and Clarence and Mrs. Hannah Wadley undertook to do the necessary cleaning and varnishing. Payment for the work amounting to twenty dollars has now been received from the Secretary of the School Division. This has been used for the purpose of mending pyjamas which have been turned in to the Local Branch of the Red Cross.

On January 14th, the Alberta temperance forces are holding special meetings in Viking. Rev. Hollingsworth will speak in the Lutheran church in the morning and at the United Church in the evening.

Henry Owens, deputy reeve of M.D. of Beaver was in town on Monday on municipal business. Mr. Owens returned recently from a visit to his old stamping grounds in Ontario but he said the faces and places didn't look the same after an absence of twenty odd years. Had a good time though he said.

The curlers got away to a good start just before Christmas. The ice looks better than it ever did. Fred Kelly is the new caretaker. The skating rink is now in use by the youngsters.

Mr. H.A. Meredith has arrived home from Edmonton this week where he underwent medical treatment at the University hospital. He is confined to his home but is improving in health, we are pleased to report.

LAC L. MacIntyre, Mrs. MacIntyre and baby son, of Medicine Hat were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Anderson. While here their young son was christened (Robert Lawrence) the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. C.R. Wragg.

On December 29th, at five o'clock in the afternoon, a quiet but pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Maxwell, of Viking.

Stone, Red Deer, Alberta. Under a canopy of Christmas decorations, Mary Haguman, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Roddick, of Viking, was united in marriage to James, third son of Mrs. Jessie Ramsay of Lethbridge. Rev. Gardener officiating.

The bride chose a charming two-piece dress of alic blue with black accessories. A blue feather hat completed the bride's ensemble. She wore a corsage of pink and white carnations. The bride was attended by her sister Jean. The bridesmaid was dressed in a two-piece dress with black accessories, and a corsage of yellow and white carnations. The groom's brother John was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Perry Dillane, of Chula Vista, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen, to Pvt. Eugene Goeb, U.S.M.C.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goeb, is taking a Navy V-12 engineering course at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., having served overseas previously. No wedding date has been set.

The betrothal was revealed first at a dinner given recently by Mr. and Mrs. Goeb at the Schoeder hotel, Milwaukee, while Miss Dillane was visiting them there. She will arrive here today and the news will be told to her friends at a buffet supper to be given tonight in the Dillane home. 209 D st., Chula Vista. Twenty guests will be entertained. They will embroider their names on tea towels for the bride-elect.

Miss Dillane also has been visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Malcolm Loesch, of Melbourne, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Prather, of Kansas City, Kan. —The Tribune Sun, San Diego, Cal. Nov. 30th, 1944.

Miss Naslund has accepted a position in the local branch of the Bank of Montreal.

Mr. E.A. Colbert, senior fieldman for the Dominion Live Stock branch, and A.J.C. Charnetski from the Livestock branch of the Alberta department of agriculture will be the speakers at the Bacon Show to be held in Viking on Saturday, January 17th.

Geo. A. Loades spent Christmas and New Years with relatives and friends at Red Deer and Ryley.

Clem Loughlin and Sandy Ross were members of the branch of the Travellers bospital held in Ed-26th and lasting for three days. They got close to the jewelry but not close enough to bring any home, but report a good time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hoskins were over Vermilion for the New Years dance here. They haven't missed one for years.

Students home from school for the holidays were John Lefsrud, Margaret Finn, and Dorothy Loughlin.

Miss Doris Wick spent New Years at home from her duties in Edmonton.

Holidays noticed at the New Years dance here were Mr. and Mrs. V.H. Nelson, Miss Black and others.

The dining of the Viking hotel was reopened during the Holidays with Mrs. V. McLeod in charge. This was welcome news for local people as well as the travelling public.

The Ladies Curling Club met this week and held their meeting. Reports were given and considered satisfactory. The next officers were: President, Mrs. J.L. Slavik; vice-president, Mrs. H.G. Thunell; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. G.T. Loney.

Mrs. Elizabeth Christina Mills passed to the great beyond on December 23rd, 1944, at the age of 44 years and three months.

Funeral services were conducted at the Viking United church by the pastor, Rev. C.R. Wragg. Mr. H.W.K. Hilliker presided at the organ. Appropriate hymns were sung by the congregation of relatives and visitors who came to pay their last respects to the deceased.

The pall bearers were Messrs. R.E. Brickman, L. Barabovskii, E. Evans, T. Harray, D. Henderson and H. Jorgenson.

The late Mrs. Mills was born in September 12th, 1900, at Belmont, Manitoba, and moved with her family to the Killiam district in 1907. She was united in marriage to the late Ernest George Mills of Killiam on December 19th, 1923. In 1930 they moved to the Phillips district.

World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange

Registered Seed—What Is It?

Many people are puzzled by the words "Registered Seed." What does it mean? they ask. Let us take an example. Canadian wheat is the highest quality wheat in the world. This high quality does not come from the soil and climate of our prairies alone, but is mainly the result of high milling and baking varieties that have been bred into certain varieties. It is obvious, therefore, that a crop of wheat consists of one or the other of these good varieties. The Registered tag on a sack guarantees that the seed is really of the good variety indicated and that it does not contain mixtures of other varieties. When a farmer sows Registered seed therefore, he is assured that he will produce a crop of wheat that contains all the high qualities that the plant breeders have bred into that variety.

Both the growing fields and the seed in the sack are inspected, and on each sack is placed a government certificate, and the sack is sealed. It takes extra care and so costs extra money to produce Registered seed. The farmer should not think of the extra cost of the seed but only of the extra cost per bushel of the crop he will harvest. This will be on the average around 3 cents a bushel, bringing to the farmer, however, a return of many times the extra cost of the seed.

BARRED ROCKS IN FAVOR

Any Alberta poultryman who has a good flock of Barred Rocks is advised by the Alberta poultry commissioner to stay with them.

This breed of poultry for many years was the outstanding breed in most provinces in Canada. With the heavy demand for more eggs for Britain, Leghorns increased in number all over Canada. The last few years have also seen a heavy increase in the distribution of New Hampshire. Our dressed poultry will soon be on the export market again. The yellow finished bird of the New Hampshire type is not in favor on the export market. The Barred Rock has been the outstanding bird for the heavier export demand. Already there is a very definite shortage of Barred Rock eggs for our hatcheries, with a resultant shortage of Barred Rock chicks to supply the demand.

Those who have good Barred Rock flocks well housed and properly managed and who will have male birds available should apply for blood testing under Flock and Hatchery Approval regulations. Barred Rock breeders will have less difficulty in disposing of hatching eggs than will owners of any other breed. If you have good Barred Rocks, stay with them, they are coming into their own.



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An unusually large number of the stories originated in Northern Alberta, dealing with names and places well known to local radio listeners.

"Men in Scarlet" is heard over C.J.C.A. at 4:30 each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Clean an electric iron with a dry cloth. After using, let it cool and remove any starch with soap and a damp cloth. Never let water or dampness get in the iron. When not in use, keep it on a soft surface or in a box, to prevent the sole plate from being marred or scratched.

Several from this district attended mid-night frolics at Sedgwick, Holden and Ryley.

FARM TRACTOR MAINTENANCE AND CARE

(Experimental Farm News)

During the winter months while the tractor is usually idle is a good time to check it over and get it in 100 per cent shape for the next operating season, says J.L. Thompson, Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current, Sask., where a special study is made of farm machines.

After the tractor has been thoroughly warmed up it should be stopped and checked for compression. This is done by turning the motor over by crank and rocking each individual cylinder on compression. If all the cylinders are equal and have good compression, then the rings and valves are satisfactory. If there is a weak cylinder take out the plug and pour in a cup of oil. If the cylinder still does not hold compression, then the valves are leaking on that cylinder. The head should be taken to a good shop and reconditioned, or the whole motor, if rings leak. In most cases it is better to have major overhaul done in a shop with equipment with precision machines. While the bearings and other parts can be checked and adjusted.

The air cleaner and carburetor should be removed and thoroughly cleaned. If the float valve can be blown through, replace it. Reassemble and replace with new gaskets, making sure the air cleaner connections are tight. Check magneto points and if signs of burning are indicated, remove and take it to a good service man for checking and greasing. Spark plugs can be cleaned and checked. Replace wires if breaks are found.

Check radiator, hoses and fan belts as well as water pump. Have radiator repaired by a good radiator service man if it leaks. Replace hoses and belt if necessary. Check over the water pump and renew worn parts. Make sure that only water pump grease is used in lubricating pump. It is also good practice to use a rust preventative in the cooling system to prevent corrosion to radiator and block.

Jack up the front wheels and check bearings for end play. Check spindle and tie rod bushings. Replace if worn. New bushings usually have to be reamed to fit. Remove wheels, clean out old grease replace seals if leaking and re-pack with a wheel bearing grease. They require no further attention for at least 1,000 hours. Readjust bearings by tightening up snug and backing off one-sixth of a turn.

Raise the rear wheels and check for end play. Adjust if too loose. By rotating a rear wheel the adjustment and condition of the differential can be determined. There should only be a slight amount of free movement. Change the oil in the transmission and rear ends every 1,000 hours of operation. Use grade of oil indicated by instruction book. If transmissions or rear ends are noisy they should be overhauled in a shop equipped for such work. In the fall or during the check-up, the tires (if on rubber) should be washed and painted with good tire paint. This helps to preserve the rubber and prevents checking.

During operation and before overhaul, clean the motor down with solvent. Machinery lasts longer and looks better if it is kept clean. During operation, change oil at 100 hours; grease as indicated by instruction book. The valve clearance should be checked every 200 hours of operation. If tractors are kept clean and thoroughly maintained while in the field they will last longer and give better satisfaction.

Mr. McLean Gets Leave of Absence

Mr. J.H. McLean, Superintendent of Schools has been granted a three months' leave of absence. Mr. McLean has been in rather indifferent health and his many friends hope that a rest from his duties at the school office will put him on the road to better health. Mr. Reeves, of the Normal School, Edmonton, will be acting Superintendent during Mr. McLean's absence. —Holden Herald.

NOTICE

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The POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Government of Alberta

THIS IS EVERYONE'S JOB

An adequate Post-War "WORK FILE", organized and ready to serve, is vitally important, not only to the welfare of our returning service men and women, but to the success and happiness of every citizen. We feel sure therefore, that everyone will give their helpful co-operation and extend a friendly welcome to the survey worker when he calls.

WATCH FOR THE SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

The Post-War "WORK FILE" survey starts next week, when volunteer workers from the 25 Regional Survey Committees throughout Alberta will commence their fact-finding task.

AN INTERVIEWER MAY CALL ON YOU

Thousands of FARMERS, HOUSEHOLDERS and BUSINESSMEN in all sections of Alberta will be called on by the volunteer workers. Be ready and willing to give the most complete and definite answers possible to the questions asked. The success of this important survey depends on you.

IN STRICT CONFIDENCE

All information given in your answers on the questionnaire and to the personal interviewer will be held in absolute confidence in conjunction with the information received from the thousands of your fellow Albertans who will be interviewed, it will be tabulated and become the foundation of Alberta's Post-War Reconstruction Plan.

WATCH FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THIS PAPER AND ON YOUR RADIO

SURVEY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

REG. T. ROSE, Chairman
Qu'Appelle Building Edmonton

ALBERTA POST-WAR SURVEY PLAN

Most advanced move undertaken in any part of Canada to obtain accurate facts and figures to aid Albertans in meeting their post-war problems realistically will get underway in mid-January.

The plan is a sweeping one. The Alberta Post-War Reconstruction Committee knows that if it is to meet success, the farmers, businessmen and householders of this province must give the plan their complete co-operation.

Leading the appeal for public support and co-operation with the province-wide survey is Premier Manning. Mr. Manning has stressed the immediate need now of "appraising accurately the possibilities of our people and our production machine." This will be done through the survey.

Thousands of Alberta farmers, big and small businessmen and householders in all salary groups will be asked to provide detailed and accurate information on their post-war needs and plans. The information will be held in strict confidence by the survey management and its voluntary workers. The information will only be used in bulk with other details -- a code number protects the individual's name.

Here, in summary form, is what the people of Alberta will be asked to provide:

1. A report of the changes affecting them, which have occurred during the five years of war.

2. A statement of their expectations and plans for the post-war years.

3. Their suggestions of ways and means of facilitating the transition from a wartime to a peacetime economy.

4. Their recommendations for expanding industry, production, services and employment in the province in the post-war period.

The overall survey has been divided into three general sections: farm, business and household. In each division, a representative section of the public will be asked to provide the information needed to best learn the needs and plans of that group.

To facilitate the tremendous job of gathering the exact information, the provincial survey management committee under Reg. Rose, executive secretary of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, has divided the province into 25 sectors. In each sector it has enlisted the aid of a public-spirited group such as boards of trade, agricultural groups and other such organizations.

It will be the men of these groups who will voluntarily tackle the work of gathering the detailed information through questionnaires and personal interviews.

It is essential that real co-operation be given these volunteer workers.

Hon. A.J. Hooke, chairman of the Post-War Reconstruction Committee, has stated the survey cannot be done unless Albertans, as individuals and organized groups, lend it their whole-hearted support.

"As individuals they can help by assisting in the work that must be done and by giving the information asked of them," he has declared. "As organized groups they can help by declaring their support of the survey and by encouraging their members to participate. The committee believes the people will see the usefulness of the survey and will ensure its success."

"Their support will be a measure of their desire to meet the needs of effective organization for peace," the minister says.

Prime objective of the survey is to build a "workpile" -- a reservoir of jobs for returning servicemen. Next to winning the war, this is Canada's most vital thought and Alberta believes the way to do this is to first find out the province's job-making potentialities.

Only through employment will complete rehabilitation of the returning servicemen be gained. Through the survey it is hoped to find out just how much employment Alberta can provide in respect to the number of returning Alberta Servicemen.

Throughout the province, the survey is scheduled to start Jan. 15. Regional committees have been set up in each of the 25 sectors and a representative of the regional committee will make his first call to your farm, household or business within a few days after that date.

More complete details of the various types of questionnaires will be announced by the survey management committee soon. Farmers, householders and businessmen should familiarize themselves with the general questions so that answers given to the representatives either verbally or on the questionnaire form are as accurate as possible.

Accuracy is the keynote of the survey. The whole questionnaire form is designed to eliminate guesswork. Various types of questions will form a cross-check so that the overall result will be detailed and exact.

Representatives of both city and country points are on the survey management committee.

Appointed to carry out the survey are: Mr. Rose, on loan to manage the survey from the Edmonton Chamber; Andrew Stewart, department of political economy at the University of Alberta; Wm. Anderson, of Canadian Utilities Ltd.; Rudolph Hennig, United Farmers of Alberta; Dave Roberts, Alta Association of Mun-

Wainwright S. D. Board Meeting

Minutes of Meeting of the Board held in the office of the Secretary December, 22, 1944.

Members present: H.E. Spencer, T.C. Sanders, F.E. Dixon, Wm. Lawson, C. Dallyn, (Div. 5).

1. Moved by Mr. Dixon that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted. Cd.

2. Moved by Mr. Sanders that we give our support to the matter of Short Courses for Divisional Secretaries and other interested persons. Cd.

3. Moved by Mr. Spencer that we accept Patirquin and Johnstone and Co., as auditors for the year 1944-45. Cd.

Wm. Masson M.L.A. of Wainwright met with the Board and discussed the matter of the new Grants Act which it is hoped will be effected in 1945.

4. Moved by Mr. Sanders that the copy of the minutes of the meeting held by the ratepayers of the Glenholm S.D. be accepted and that if at all possible the school will be kept open after Christmas and further, that the Boards regrets that neither the Board nor the Superintendent was advised of the date of the ratepayers' meeting which made it impossible for either to attend. Cd.

5. Moved by Mr. Lawson that the following teacher applications be accepted: Mrs. L.M. Prosser, Ala Mater, Miss M.C. McLaughlin, Cresthill, Miss H. Challenger, Dolcy, Miss J. Dupuis, Education Point, Mr. H.A. Elford, Wilkinson, LaPearl, Mr. C.T. DeTro, Ribstone High. Cd.

6. Moved by Mr. Lawson that the following resignations be accepted: Mrs. E. Nagy, Alma Mater. Mrs. H. Bradley, Fabyan. Cd.

7. Moved by Mr. Lawson that we adjourn. Cd.

8. Moved by Mr. Spencer that we accept the offer of Miss V. Pon for the building which she has for disposal at Edgerton provided that the enquiry of the Wainwright School Board offers insufficient inducement. Cd.

9. Moved by Mr. Spencer that the Superintendent's Report with the recommendations be accepted. Cd.

10. Moved by Mr. Spencer that the Auditor's report be adopted. Cd.

11. Moved by Mr. Sanders that Accounts be paid in the amount of \$10,711.39 and that same be incorporated in the minutes. Cd.

Principal districts: R.J. Gibb; Edmonton commissioner and representative of the Union of Alberta Municipalities: V. Hawrelak, Jr.; Alberta Farmers' Union: J.H. Christensen, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce: Dr. C.G. Spence, Dominion Department of Agriculture: Fred Chalk, Calgary alderman; E.J. Martin and H.D. Carrigan, of the Reconstruction Committee.

Is The Stork Losing His Job?



Canadian flying men have moved a lot of strange cargoes both at home and abroad in the last several years, but when a Quebec Airways Boeing took off from Quebec City Airport the other day, bound for Chicoutimi, it carried one of the strangest loads of all -- 26 babies, not one of them over five months old!

The infants were being transferred from La Creche Saint-Vincent-de-Paul in Quebec to Chicoutimi -- a long train ride, but only an hour away by air. L'Abbe Germain, priest in charge of the orphanage, contacted officials of Quebec Airways, a Canadian Pacific Air Lines subsidiary, with the result that the babies flew, and all in one plane-load. Ordinarily, the aircraft carries ten passengers and a crew of three. But with Sister Coeur Immacule and Sister

Marie de la Reparatoin, who were also making their first airplane flight, the total number of souls aboard was thirty-one. Even so, with each baby weighing an average of ten pounds, it was a far lighter load than customary.

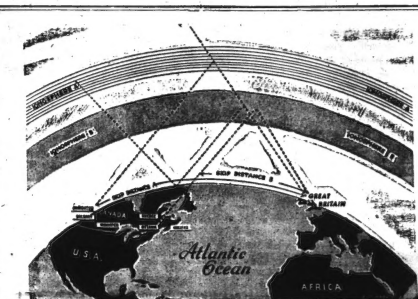
Special three-place cribs, made of plywood, were built so that each box would fit into one seat in the airplane. Wrapped snugly in baby blankets, and strapped in both boxes and seats, even the

roughest of air could not have tossed the tiny infants out. And as it turned out, there wasn't even one bump on the entire trip.

"They didn't give a bit of trouble," said Stewardess Joan Harland, a veteran hostess of the airline. "After the take-off, they just went to sleep, and that's all there was to it!"

Bachelor Captain Art Leach, pilot of the plane, didn't have much to say: "They were squealing when I went forward before take-off, and they were squealing after I landed," he announced grumpily.

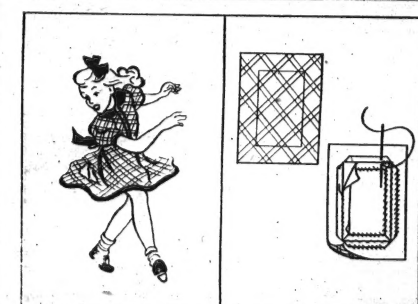
Said First Officer Gordon Alexander: "I didn't hear a thing. Had the ear-phones on all the time." Then, musily, "Seems to me static was a little worse than usual, though!"



HOW BBC SHORTWAVES

GET HERE

The illustration symbolizes graphically the mysterious "ionosphere", or Heavside layer, at two different heights, and the course taken by shortwaves on their way from Britain to Canada. Irregularities in the ionosphere are among the chief causes of poor overseas reception. New CBC shortwave receiving stations at Dartmouth, N.S., and Hornby, Ont. are expected to improve reception considerably.



TO MEND A THREE CORNERED TEAR

Use an overhand patch for a tear like this. It is not as strong as a hemmed patch but it is less conspicuous. Cut the tear in fabric to a square or an oblong. Turn back the edges. Cut the patch slightly larger. Fit the patch exactly into the hole with its edges turned back as

in the lower sketch. All the sewing is done on the wrong side of the garment. Overhand the patch in place with tiny stitches, as shown, on the wrong side. Over cast raw edges and press well. If the patching is carefully done, if thread and design of the patch are both matched with the garment, it is scarcely noticeable.

12. Negotiating committee met with the Board re changes in the salary schedule. This matter to be discussed at the January and February meetings of the Board. Cd.

13. Moved by Mr. Spencer that we adjourn. Next meeting of the Board to be held on Friday, Jan. 20th, 10:00 A.M. Cd.

Results of Annual Meetings held in Sub-Divisions, 3 and 5.

Mr. F.E. Dixon returned by acclamation. Division 3.

Mr. Clifford Dallyn of Ribstone elected by acclamation to fill vacancy created by Mr. M.J. Nicholson's resignation.

Have your piano tuned at least twice a year, preferably once in the winter and once in the summer. Try placing small bags of para crystals or nuggets inside the piano to keep moths away from the felt pads.

Keep moths away from blankets! Have blankets cleaned professionally before storage. Spray with a moth compound or scatter moth crystals between the folds. Wrap in tissue or heavy wrapping paper, tar or cedar paper, and store in a cedar chest or some container that has been treated to resist moths.



DR. K. W. HEALEY
Lana Elevator Farm Service
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Wheat Varieties in 1944

It looks as though the wheat varieties now recommended in the Prairie Provinces have pretty well settled down. A few interesting comparisons between provinces follow.

Manitoba

Regent increased sharply, from 24.7% in 1943, to 34.9%. It now threatens the supremacy of Thatcher which fell from 45.6% in 1943, to 39.2% this year. Renova declined from 19.9% to 16.6%.

Saskatchewan

The picture in Saskatchewan is simple. Thatcher continues to increase at the expense of all other varieties. Even Regent fell off a little this year. One interesting exception to this statement deserves attention. Our old friend Garnet is on the increase in the north. In Zone 4, the grey wooded soil area, Garnet increased from 2.2% to 16.4% in 1944 to 6.2% in 1944. This development is even more pronounced in Alberta.

Alberta

Though Red Bobs continues to slip a little, it is still the most popular variety in Alberta by a wide margin. This year, it occupied 44.2% of the acreage. Thatcher increased from 14.0% in 1943, to 16.4% this year. Mayflower declined from 30.1% to 27.3%. This year, Garnet occupied 6.0% of the Alberta acreage; last year, only 2.7%. In Zone 4a, the grey wooded soil area, less Peace River Block, Garnet increased from 13.5% to 26.6%.

The above figures are comparable with those published in this column last year. They are unweighted averages of elevator agents' estimates. They do not check with the figures in Circular No. 7, which were weighted by total wheat acreages at shipping points. The differences do not materially affect the comparisons we have made.

Unnecessary Loss

Stinking smut of wheat is increasing at an alarming rate. In the inspection year, August 1st, 1945, to July 31st, 1944, 363 cars graded smutty. The year before, only 157. This year, from August 1st to December 17th, only four and a half months, 347 cars have been graded smutty.

Farmers would be wise to remember the following facts:

1. Thatcher is more susceptible to stinking smut than any of the well known varieties except Red Bobs and Renova.
2. Cold soil provides favourable conditions for the development of the disease. Very early sowing and cold weather after seeding increase the likelihood of smut in the crop if the seed is smutty.
3. A farmer may get by with straight grade wheat for years in spite of the presence of some smut. Then, due to a gradual increase of the disease or a sudden increase due to particularly favourable conditions, he may suffer a loss of about \$200.00 per car as a result of smut.
4. Stinking smut causes loss in yields as well as in grade.
5. Treatment with a mercurial dust costs about 5 cents, plus labour and equipment, per bushel of seed.
6. Formalin often seriously retards and weakens germination and, thus, encourages weeds and reduces yield.
7. Seed treatment, properly carried out, will control the disease.

All Lana Elevator grain buyers can obtain copies of a printed leaflet giving more complete information. Ask for one.

Another Year

It is hard to believe that this is our sixth wartime Christmas; but, on the other hand, it seems a long time, a very long time. Changes in our day to day activities, privileges and responsibilities have been revolutionary, but they have taken place so gradually that it has been fairly easy to adjust ourselves. How different it has been for millions in Europe and Asia. How easy it should be for us to be thankful and to be grateful to those who have made real sacrifices.

How dare we, for any reason, talk about "equality of sacrifice"? If it is sacrifice to pay income tax, to buy bonds, to drive an old car or none at all, to work a hard day, to do without luxuries or even some things we once thought necessities, then surely we must coin a new word to express our sympathy and admiration for the men who are giving everything; and for the wives, parents and children who have given husbands, sons and fathers.

We might have lost the war, and there might then have been equality of sacrifice. By all means let us rejoice at Christmas; but, at the same time, remember the men to whom the real credit for victory belongs and will, we hope, go. Let us also remember with profound gratitude those to whom Christmas joy will never be quite the same.

MERRIEST PARTIES

Many Londoners Managed To Celebrate Christmas In The Subways

London's merriest Christmas parties were held in holes in the ground. In deep subway stations throughout the capital, children and parents welcomed Christmas Eve with makeshift decorations and genuine gaiety which turned the draughty, dirty platforms where they sleep every night into colorful, music-filled stretches as they shouted carols above the roar of the trains.

Several of the larger stations held organized parties. In those places, where hundreds of persons seek shelter nightly from V-bombs or because they have no habitable homes, the borough councils and charitable organizations did their best to help things along.

In Holborn station a tree swayed in the rush of air from passing trains and piled around the foot were heaps of presents. The tags read "Pour mes Petits Amis Anglais." The presents were from the children of liberated Belgium "for my little English friends."

There was a Santa Claus too, calling out presents for children in a voice which indicated that in his spare time he was a station guard.

That didn't make any difference to kids like Anne, Mary, Jimmies and the little fellow who corrected St. Nick by saying "my name's Butch, see?" They just grabbed dolls, cards and games which most of them had never seen before in their war-filled lives and shrieked at the top of their voices.

There were concerts as well. For weeks the grown-ups had practised and gave the show after the presents had been presented.

Has A History

Sault Ste. Marie Claims To Be 274 Years Old

Once in a while the suggestion is made that the city of "Sault Ste. Marie" should change its name. But quite apart from the fact that the name has a background of 274 years of history, having first appeared on Joliet's map in 1674, it is difficult to think of a more appropriate name.

For down through the years the life of the community has centred around the St. Mary's Rapids—the Sault Ste. Marie.

Long before the white man came, this was a gathering place for the Ojibway Indians, who came here to catch in the rapids the whitefish, the fine flavor of which has been famous ever since the first written records of this section were compiled.

Sault Ste. Marie is not only the oldest place name in the Province of Ontario, but it embodies the whole basis of our civic life—Sault Ste. Marie Star.

Archery As Spare Time Recreation



DE HAVILLAND'S CONNIE DEAN

Aircraft workers assembling the world's fastest fighter-bomber at de Havilland Aircraft of Canada have developed what for them is a new way of relieving tension in off hours—archery. Through the recreation club at the plant, scores of workers who help to turn out the famous Mosquito, have enrolled for target practice on a range set up near the plant.

Membership is increasing rapidly in a sport which has grown to the stage where 35,000 men and women take part in Canada alone.

The aircraft workers who find so much precision demanded in their

work find archery a good sport for developing co-ordination of eye, muscles and mind.

One of the most enthusiastic fans at de Havilland is Connie Dean of the plant's traffic department. When her picture appeared in *The Mosquito*, the workers' newspaper, it carried the following caption: "In the year 1407, William Tell, hero of Swiss legend, was sentenced to death for refusing reverence to the Ducal hat of Austria; unless he shot an apple from his son's head. In the year 1944, 537 years later, Connie Dean of D-H Traffic Dept. was 'sentenced' to pose for the above photo."

Out Of Commission



This German self-propelled (75mm) gun was blown completely off the road by a Piat bomb fired by the tank-hunting section of a Canadian company which helped to establish a bridgehead across the Lamone river in Italy the night of December 10. Three tank-hunters standing beside their prize are: Left to right—Pte. Dan MacArthur, Sydney, N.S., Pte. Keith McSorley, New Brunswick; Pte. Peter Burnette, Stellarton, N.S.

Two New Chemicals

Developed During War Will Be Effective In Fly Sprays

The post-war outlook for flies is serious. For the flies. U.S. Department of Agriculture entomologists report that two new chemicals, in addition to the well-known pyrethrum which has been used as the basis of most fly sprays for years, have been developed during the war.

Pyrethrum is known to knock down flies on contact, but one new substance, from a plant native to Mexico, has been found by scientists to be even more poisonous. DDT, the second new material, will remain effective as long as three months when sprayed on walls and screens.

Entomologists predict that after the war flies will enter homes, factories and dairy barns at their own risk.

FIRST STONE STREET

Downtown New York's Stone Street is said to have been the first street in the New World paved with stone, hence its name. It was called Brouwer straat (Brewer Street) under Dutch rule, because it was the centre of the brewery industry of New Netherlands.

Pepper was worth its weight in gold in ancient times, and only the richest of men could afford it.

The Flying Pole

Exploits Are Becoming Legendary Among Allied Fighter Pilots

The exploits of Major Mike Cladych, "The Flying Pole", are becoming legendary among Allied fighter pilots.

Cladych has been serving with the U.S. 8th Air Force for more than a year now without any official status. The American pilots chip in each month to give him spending money, and meanwhile he goes on taking Thunderbolts over Germany to shoot up anything bearing the hated swastika.

The story of this amazing airman has been pieced together bit by bit by other flyers. It forms one of the most fantastic tales to come out of the war.

Cladych, now 35, was a member of the Polish Air Force when the Nazis overran Poland, killing his parents, his sweetheart and many of his friends. He escaped by plane to France and joined the French Air Force. Shot down in a German-occupied area, he was hidden by a French doctor in an insane asylum while the Gestapo searched for him.

Later he was waylaid in a Paris alley by the Gestapo, who left him for dead after beating him over the head with lead pipes, but the French doctor managed to get him to the asylum and treated him there for months.

He did not fully recover until after all France had been occupied by the Nazis, and then was smuggled to Britain. He joined the R.A.F. and fought in the Battle of Britain, later becoming a member of the Polish squadron formed by the British.

A year ago he was assigned to the 8th Air Force for detached duty. Garbed generally in a gray uniform with the Polish eagle insignia, the dark-haired Cladych will not talk of his exploits. Apparently all he wants to do is kill Nazis, but the men of the fighter group, intent upon keeping up their record of kills, have a hard time pumping from him the number of his victories.

"Maybe I got two 'planes', he says unconcernedly when asked to report on the outcome of a dogfight. "But I cannot count because I am too busy shooting what's ahead of me instead of looking back to see what I left behind me."

His wing cameras show he has shot down at least 11 enemy 'planes, but his comrades say he has accounted for at least 15 more.

Some say that during his service with four different Allied Air Forces he has downed at least 45 enemy 'planes.

Top ace among Allied flyers in Western Europe whose record is fully authenticated is Wing-Cmdr. J. E. (Johnny) Johnson, whose total of kills currently stands at 38. The English-born pilot leads a European-based R.C.A.F. Spitfire wing.

Daring Guerrilla

Girl Awarded Title Of Hero Of The Soviet

Anna Moskvitskaya, one of the most daring guerrillas of Byelorussia, has been awarded the title of Hero of the Soviet Union. Among her many brave exploits was the dynamiting of a German garrison. Learning that a conference of officers had been called in a certain city to discuss ways and means of wiping out her guerrilla detachment, Anna went alone to the city and when the debate was at its height exploded a mine under the building, settling the argument—U.S.S.R. Bulletin.

Ship's Paper

Publication Of The Only Sea-Going Daily In North Atlantic

Crew members of the Castle class corvette H.M.C.S. Orangethorpe have laid proud claim to publication of "the only sea-going daily in the North Atlantic." Their sheet is called "Etching in Salt" and its breezy reports of messdeck doings have made it almost as popular as the daily issue of *Grog*.

Coder Frank Galvon, of Blairmore, Alta., and Surgeon Lieut. Peter Playfair, of Ottawa, are the moving spirits of the paper. Each morning at sea, the 21-year-old Galvon tunes into the BBC news and makes a digest of world events for "Etchings". Then two other ratings, Tel. Chris McGregor, of Vancouver, and SBA, Ed. Stiles, of Toronto, chip in with the latest buzzes and gossip from the messdecks. Promptly at 10:30 the paper is run off on a ditto machine and distributed throughout the ship.

None of the publishers has had professional experience, although Galvon worked on a club paper in Blairmore and Stiles on a Bible class publication in Toronto. Surgeon Lieut. Playfair does the job "just for the fun of it". At 23, he is believed to be the youngest medical officer in the Canadian Navy. He finished a six-year medical course at Queens when he was 21.

All Were Wrong

High Officials Expressed Opinion War Would End Last Year

Prime Minister Churchill has not been alone in his once-optimistic appraisal of the course of the struggle. General Eisenhower announced that he hoped to see the end of the European war in 1944; General Marshall expressed the opinion that the war in the European theatre would terminate by December 7, the anniversary of Pearl Harbor. General MacArthur has long been over-optimistic in his communications, and General Arnold's air forces have many times "destroyed" the economy of the German Reich—Brantford Expositor.

The Hawaiian Islands were formed by lava shooting up from a crack in the bottom of the ocean three miles down.

Aircraft Rivetting Champs



MURIEL MARSHALL - EVELYN BRAILSFORD

Officials at the plant of Boeing Aircraft of Canada Ltd., at Victoria, B.C., believe that Muriel Marshall and Evelyn Brailsford are Canada's aircraft rivetting champions.

"Blind bucking" and bucking in small spaces where manipulation of rivet bars is difficult is a big part of the job of building float braces for Catalina long range flying boats. Most of the time the rivet is out of sight of the buckler and frequently is almost inaccessible.

However, on a test run of 14 minutes and 15 seconds these top-notch rivet girls drove and bucked 299 perfect rivets in an eight-hour shift, recently, and every one perfect.

For a period of one week a complete tally was kept of the rivets driven by Muriel and Evelyn. During that time the girls averaged almost 700 perfect rivets per hour of rivetting time. In this type of work the riveters must do their own placing of skins, reaming of holes, water-proofing and painting of inside rivet heads. Consequently, they do not rivet steadily all day. Also much time is lost for inspections which are made as the work progresses.

The team is capable of sustained

AFFAIRS IN JAPAN

Six Families Have Complete Power Over Industry And Business

Six families control affairs in Japan. These six families exercise almost complete power over industry and business. These six Japanese families are not so sure they like the way the war is going. Now that American warplanes are getting in some heavy licks against Tokyo and other Japanese industrial centres, some of the Japanese industrial leaders are thinking of their beautiful factories being battered to dust and rubble. They can see their fortunes vanishing in the smoke of a bomb burst. They shudder from two causes: the thought of losing their factories and the thought of losing their lives.

Throwing Away Money

Coins Are Used For Shrapnel In Enemy Shells

Men who take apart dud enemy shells picked up a bit of loose change in Holland. Instead of jagged pieces of shrapnel, they found that one unexploded shell contained silver and nickel Netherlands coins. The newspaper Nijmeegsch Dagblad, said presumably metal supplied had run short at the factory that turned out the shell and coins were used instead, without smelting them into the form of shrapnel.

GOES ON FOREVER

The favorite soup of French peasants, pot-au-feu, is a dish that goes on forever. It is kept on the stove and cooked for years, with the women just adding leftovers to the pot and keeping it cooking.

IT ALWAYS HAPPENS

It is a bit ironical, isn't it, that Winston Churchill who probably has done more than any other single living man to save democracy, should now be attacked in certain circles as "an enemy of democracy," says the Sault Daily Star.

OF IRISH ORIGIN

Captain Boycott, a land agent in Ireland, treated his tenants with such severity that they retaliated by refusing to work for him and allowing no one else to do so. This incident, in 1881, was the origin of the word "boycott".

Selected Diet

People Learning By Experience To Change Their Food Habits

If all persons were rational, nutritional education would be very simple. They would learn promptly and would act wisely after observing the ill-effects of deficient diets and the benefits to health and development brought about by the eating of the right kinds of foods. But in this respect people have not always behaved as rational beings. Many have read, and are reading about deficiency diseases and the rewards in health and welfare that fall to those who eat balanced meals. But they cannot be bothered to make the effort to break away from their old habits.

However, the entire human race is not irrational and stubborn in its food habits and many have learned and are learning by experience and education to change their food habits.

—Victoria Times.

Ends Career

Old Vessel That Has Travelled The High Seas Foundered On Jagged Rocks

A stout old Victoria, B.C., barge that could tell many tales of the high seas ended her career almost within sight of the spot where she was launched 24 years ago as a trim four-masted wooden barkentine. She was the S. F. Tolmie, reduced to splintered timbers by a howling southeast gale, battering waves and the jagged rocks of Macaulay Point.

Last log-carrying barge on the Pacific Coast the 1,612-ton Tolmie was launched at the old Chulberg shipyard in 1920, and carried cargoes to Japan, Australia and the South Seas, islands before being converted into a floating herring saltery and later a barge.

GLOOMY PROSPECT

It now seems doubtful that Vancouver will ever see the restoration of its fleet of trans-Pacific passenger liners. The air-borne fuselage will try to displace the costly sea-going hull just as the steamer banished the sailing ship—Vancouver Sun.

Marine insurance is believed to have had an earlier origin than life insurance

LOCALS

Misses Marion and Mildred Carrington spent the Christmas and New Year holidays at the home of their sister Mrs. Neil McMillan.

The Irma High School Boys won out in a game of hockey at Wainwright on Sat. Jan. 6, score 5-2.

The Irma High School Students are now occupying the new room in the school.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Village of Irma will be held in the Village office on Friday Jan. 26th at 8 P.M.

Mrs. A. C. Milne was away to Coronation, Alberta, over last week-end attending the funeral of Mr. Milne's mother who passed away suddenly last week.

At the December meeting of the L.O.B.A. it was decided not to run a series of card parties this winter, but instead to sponsor two dances in Kiefer's hall, the first to be held on or around the last day of January and the second as near the anniversary of the lodge as possible, March 19th. Watch for further notices.

Mr. M. D. Askin spent Christmas and the New Year's holiday with his son and family Captain and Mrs. Thomas Askin at Saskatoon, Sask.

Mrs. Carl Sonoff won the turkey raffled by the High School hockey team before Christmas. This was a particularly lucky win since three of the Sonoff boys all in the services were home on Christmas leave.

The annual Church Meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 15th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taggart at 8 pm.

The W.A. of St. Mary's will also hold their Annual Meeting on Monday Jan. 15th at 2.30 pm. place of meeting to be announced later.

Bryan Taggart who is attending school in Calgary spent the holiday season with his parents at Irma.

Mrs. H.L. Black had a visit from her sister over the New Year week-end.

William Blade was home from Fort Norman for Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. Hagler.

Mr. S.C. Johnston left for Inglehart, Ont. on Jan. 2nd after receiving a telegram telling him of his mother's death.

Among those we noticed home for Christmas from Edmonton were, Misses Jacqueline Tate, Francis Barss, Edna Jones, Ruth Reeds, Lois Longmire, Ethel Arnold and Mildred Hill.

Havie Elford completed his Normal school course before Christmas and now is teaching the Fabyan school.

Allison Carler was home from Edmonton for Christmas and Boxing day.

Miss Ada Currie was home from Viking for Christmas with her parents and friends.

Misses Dorothy and Mary Currie who are teaching in northern Alberta were home for the holidays.

Miss Olive Larson visited friends in Irma and district during the holidays.

Miss Vera Simmermon has gone to Edmonton to commence her Normal School Course. Miss Simmermon accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher and Jack spent Christmas in Edmonton with Mrs. Fletcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berg.

Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Hardy of Edmonton spent the Christmas week-end at the Hill farm. Mrs. A. Greenberg and sister Cecile Shaw accompanied them to Irma where they enjoyed the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McFarland.

Ross McFarland, Jr. was home from Calgary through the holiday season.

Mr. Jack Peterson of Calgary paid a brief visit to Irma at Christmas time.

Mrs. Watkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Ott and family spent Christmas at Wainwright with friends and relatives.

Mr. Wm. Walker and son Charlie motored to Irma from Carstairs, for a visit with relatives recently. Mr. Jack Bishop visited relatives at Clyde, Alta. at New Years time. Mrs. P. Quinlan and family moved to Edmonton during the holidays.

Mr. H. Vinjerud came from the U.S.A. to spend Christmas with his wife at Wainwright.

Miss Helen McDowell and Mrs. Vinjerud of Wainwright visited in Irma recently.

Mr. Jack Stead was home for the holidays from his school at Foremost, Alta.

Miss Isabell Fusko has accepted a position with the Wainwright School Division as Supervisor at the Willow Veiv School, where correspondence courses are taken.

Mrs. Helen Pendleton has returned to her work at Edmonton.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Obert A. Lovig at the Wainwright Hospital on Boxing Day - a daughter.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Bert Long on Thursday, Jan. 11th at the usual hour. All ladies cordially invited.

Mr. Charles Coffin was able to come home from the hospital before Christmas.

Patrons of the Sunburst Bus Company please take notice that the Edmonton-Wainwright bus will run every Sunday until further notice but will not run on Wednesdays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Simmermon and family motored to the Kinsella for Christmas with the Simmon's family.

Miss Kathleen Jones of Wainwright was home with her folks for Christmas and New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McCune spent Christmas at Killam with their parents.

Mrs. B. H. Hadlow and children of Edmonton visited her father and other relatives during the holidays. Mr. Hadlow spent Xmas day with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Stilman and family moved away from Irma this week.

Mrs. J.M. Meyer has moved into Irma where her daughters are attending school.

Mrs. M. Mikkelsen with her daughters, including who was home from Three Hills Alta. spent Christmas with an older daughter at Wainwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm Stewart went to Wainwright for Christmas with Mrs. Stewart's sister, Mrs. L. Stuart.

The Irma Victory Cigarette put on an enjoyable New Year's dance in Irma on New Year's night. A large crowd attended.

Mrs. Betty Locke and daughter arrived back home from Vancouver, before Christmas.

Although somewhat late we take great pleasure in announcing that Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Chesters (nee Rena Fenton) of Regina Sask. are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter, "Nancy Mae" on Dec 2nd 1944.

Mrs. M. M. Tripp spent Christmas in Edmonton with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Feero and children spent the holidays with relatives at Entwistle, Alta.

ANNOUNCE NEW RATION CHECK-UP

of the flow of coupons and rationing regulations are announced by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Designed to facilitate check-up of the flow of coupons and ration documents all the way from consumer to producer, the new regulations require all persons handling gummed sheets of coupons to endorse them.

Authority of the Ration Administration to investigate any time with out notice the records of any dealer is reiterated and legal obligation of all coupon users surrender the requisite number of valid coupons or other appropriate documents for rationed goods, stressed.

FOR SALE

1935, 2-ton v8 truck, new engine good tires or will trade for cattle. Steve Pasztor, Irma, 2tp.

FOUND

A pair of flat keys on ring, no name or number. Owner apply E. W. Carter, Irma, 1c

FOR SALE

A quantity of oat straw. Apply W. R. Dawson, Irma, 12c

FOR SALE

Berkshire boar pigs, two months old with registration papers.—O. C. Lovig, Irma, 12-26p

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JACK BENNY
is back 5 p.m.
SUNDAYS
(An SSD Show)

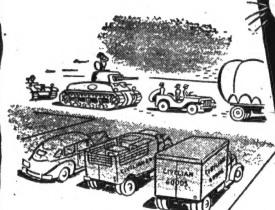
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Voice of the Great North-West

"I must warn the House and Country against any indulgence in the feeling that the war will soon be over"

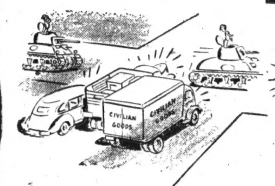
WINSTON CHURCHILL
in the British House of Commons
November 28th, 1944

DON'T CONFUSE THE SIGNALS

War came. The manufacture of most civilian goods had to be cut down or stopped to make way for war production. That caused shortages of civilian goods—that was the RED LIGHT



don't jump the YELLOW light



Some restrictions are now being lifted, but it does not mean lots of goods right away. War's demands are still huge and must come first. We can't neglect them just so that some of us here at home can get a little more.

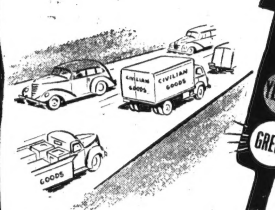
Don't confuse the signals—(This is the YELLOW LIGHT ONLY).

It means a little more of some things and it helps business men get ready for the time when there will be more materials and workers available.

It does not mean the end of shortages!

Getting back to peacetime production will necessarily be piecemeal and gradual.

"Patience" is the word.



it's NOT the green light yet

Only after Victory over both enemies can the Green Light be switched on, and the road cleared for enough production to meet all our civilian needs.

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INFORMATION ABOUT THE ALBERTA WHEAT POOL

The first Alberta Wheat Pool Elevators were built in 1925. As the end of the 1943-44 season the Alberta Wheat Pool owned 434 elevators at 419 points in the Province of Alberta as well as elevators at two points in the Province of British Columbia.

The total capacity of Alberta Pool owned grain facilities is 40,684, 750 bushels.

In the 19 years since the Alberta Pool Elevators commenced operations its country elevators have handled a total of 615,308,142 bushels of grain.

The Pool organization since its inception in 1932 has handled a combined total of 830,173,595 bushels through pooling and elevator operations. The gross value of all grain handled was over \$700,000,000.

\$2,930,243.62 has been distributed as patronage dividends to patrons of the Pool Country Elevators.

Since 1931 the Alberta Wheat Pool has paid to the Province of Alberta the sum of \$2,719,000.00 in principle payments and \$2,979, 237.50 in interest to apply on the debt incurred through the loss sustained in the 1929 Pool overpayment.

Since that date, also, the net liquid assets or working capital has been improved to the extent of \$3,874,474.99 and the reserve holders equity increased from \$3,647, 799.50 to \$7,690,972.72.

Board of directors, Alberta Wheat Pool, Ben S. Plummer, chairman, E.H. Keith, Secretary; C. Jensen, Magrath; Lew Hutchinson, Duhamel; G.G. Coote, Nanton; W.J. Blair, Naco; G.L. Harrold, Lamont.

Wash a chenille or a Candlewick bedspread with a good grade of soap, soap powder or soap flakes. Of course, chenille and candlewick require no ironing. If washed in a large washing machine, it's a good idea to put bedspreads inside of a net or pillowcase to keep the tufts from being pulled out.

Launder nylon curtains in a mild sudsy solution of lukewarm water and mild soap. Never soak, never rub—just squeeze the suds through. Rinse well in clean water of the same temperature and wring out the moisture. Nylon dries in much less time than other textile materials. It is not necessary to iron nylon curtains.

Bacon Show

Wednesday, January 17th

Show starts at 1.30 P. M.

Elks' Hall, Viking

Sponsored by Alberta Farmers' Union Local

SEE LOCAL PRODUCTS EXHIBITED that have been graded and will be shown for the benefit of farmers and others interested.

Everybody Welcome

ADMISSION FREE

Conserve your fine linens. If you wish to store them for any length of time, wrap linens in tissue (tissue color is unimportant) and store them where there is no heat, as heat may dry the fibres and eventually cause them to be

ak. Damp places should also be avoided. Another good tip is to change the line of creasing with each ironing, or better still, avoid creasing entirely by folding linen by hand.